



## **LGBTQIA+ Rainbow Commission Minutes**

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**Date:** Wed October 19, 2023

**Time:** 6:30 pm

**Location:** Conducted by Hybrid Participation - Arlington Community Center HHS Conference Room and via Zoom

Attend in person in the 2nd Floor HHS Conference Room at the Community Center (Senior Center), 20 Academy Street/27 Maple Street. Registration not required for in- person attendance.

2. \*Notice to the Public on meeting privacy\* In the interests of preventing abuse of videoconferencing technology (i.e. Zoom Bombing) all participants, including members of the public, wishing to engage via the Zoom App must register for each meeting and will notice multi-step authentication protocols. Further, members of the public who wish to participate without providing their name may still do so by registering to receive the meeting info and using the telephone dial in information provided.

Present: Susan Ryan-Vollmer, Helene Newberg, Lisa Krinsky, Molly Blaauw-Gillis, Kym Goldsmith

Excused: Andy Robinson Kari Sasportas, Paloma Cotton-Herman

Liaisons: Julie Flaherty – Police Chief

### **Agenda**

1. Remote Participation Statement and Guidelines
2. Land Acknowledgement
3. Review and approval of October 4<sup>th</sup> (September meeting) Minutes: SRV Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> KG. All approved.
4. Consent Agenda Motion to approve: SRV 2<sup>nd</sup> KG. All approved.
5. Working Group Updates (45 minutes\*)
  - a. Education -no updates
  - b. Community Engagement -TDOR 11/20/2023 with First Parish UU. Inviting community partners to cosponsor with us. AHRC cosponsor. Affinity gathering for transgender/nonbinary – hosted by First Parish
  - c. Town Systems & Policies – will review at November meeting.

- d. Communications – social media for Hispanic Heritage in October; Native American month in November.
  - e. Budget - general fund \$3030.00 and \$5000 unrestricted. Future: consider vendors who are aligned with values; using local vendors.
6. Liaison Updates(10minutes\*)
- a. Diversity, Equity & Inclusion(DEI) – DEI Director returning in November.  
Translation/language access project; early phases of Lunar New Year 1/2024
  - b. Police Department(APD) – Protest at Gov’s house Sat 1/14. APD and State Police responded
  - c. GSA/QSA-AHS/Ottoson/Gibbs
  - d. Library – Nothing to report
  - e. Select Board – Nothing to report
  - f. Council on Aging - Last week: had a great meeting with the International Students of Arlington High for our monthly Tea Talk series (9 older adults and 18 kids) and a wonderful screening at the Robbins Library (3 older adults attended), Thank you Julia! Please see the schedule just below for more details! And please save the date for our ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARTY on Halloween AND ANNUAL SAGE TABLE event, Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 6PM!!! See attached flyers for details and please help spread the word! And this week my group is back on Zoom for support and fall planning.

To recap, the upcoming month+ looks like this: **(All programs free, open to all & all ages!!)**

October 17 (Tues) 2PM on zoom

October 21 (Sat) 11AM in person only, BEDFORD COA (see flyer)

October 24 (Tues) 2PM in person only, monthly crafting event, ARL senior center

October 31 (Tues) 2PM in person only, HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY! ARL senior center (see flyer)

November 7 (Tues) \*\*12:15 PM\*\* in person only, Pizza lunch with Tea Talk with AHS international, ARL senior center

November 9 (Thurs) \*\*6PM\*\* in person only, SAGE Table dinner, ARL senior center

November 14 (Tues) 2PM zoom only, general support

November 21 (Tues) 2PM zoom only, general support

November 28 (Tues) 2PM in person only, monthly crafting, ARL senior center

- 7. Public Engagement and Open Commentary(10minutes\*) Grace Carpenter, Disability Commission visiting
- 8. Close meeting: SRV motion to adjourn. KG 2<sup>nd</sup>. All approved. Meeting adjourned 6:56pm.
- 9. Next Meeting .November 16, 2023. 6:30pm Hybrid.